



Solicitation Information

December 30, 2013

Addendum #1

RFP #7542366

TITLE: CONSULTING SERVICES – SCHOOL AS A TEACHING TOOL

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JANUARY 6, 2014 AT 11:00 AM (EST)

VENDOR QUESTIONS WITH STATE RESPONSES ARE ATTACHED. NO FURTHER QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED.

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1. Are teams of people allowed to submit a proposal? If so, is there a preference for proposals that are designed by teams or individuals?

Teams of people are allowed to submit a proposal. However, there is no preference for proposals designed by teams or individuals.

2. Are there parameters for the total amount in the cost proposal (ie. the cost range that will be considered, whether or not the lowest bid receives preference, etc.)?

Vendors are first scored on the Technical Approach (15 points), Organizational Capacity (15 points), Environmental Education Consulting Experience (20 points) and Staffing (20 points). Vendors who score at least 40 points will have their cost proposals opened. Only the lowest cost proposal will receive the full 30 points. The other proposals are scored on a scale based on the lowest bid.

For example: Vendor A \$50 per hour, Vendor B \$60 per hour and Vendor C \$75 per hour.

Vendor A would receive 30 points. Vendor B would receive 25 points $((50/60) * 30 = 25 \text{ points})$ Vendor C would receive 20 points $((50/75) * 30 = 20 \text{ points})$.

Clarification page 8 – Offerors must receive a minimum of 70 “total” points, out of a possible 100 to gain status as an approved service provider.

3. Will this contract be awarded to more than one consultant?

No contract will be awarded. This solicitation is to enter into a Master Price Agreement (MPA) with the State of Rhode Island to be used on an as needed basis. Multiple vendors could be placed on the MPA list. Placement on the MPA does not guarantee income. Vendors will be contacted on an as needed basis, and all actual costs for each project will be negotiated upon award of a specific project. Please reference page 6 of the RFP.

4. Is it available to more than one school/district?

All districts and public charter schools in Rhode Island would be able to access the vendors on the MPA list. Please reference page 4 of the RFP.

5. Can private schools apply?

This Master Price Agreement is for State Agencies, School Districts and Municipalities. Private Schools have their own procurement procedures.

6. When does this position begin? Is the date flexible? **No contract will be awarded. This solicitation is to enter into a Master Price Agreement (MPA) with the State of Rhode Island to be used on an as needed basis. The Master Price Agreement will begin on or about January 2014 and end on June 30, 2016. Please reference page 6 of the RFP.**